



ALUMNUS OF THE MONTH



Major R. K. Posey, Discoverer
Of German Hoard of Stolen Art
Is Alumnus of Month at Auburn

Alumnus of the Month at Auburn, Major Robert Kelley Posey '26, is the man responsible for the discovery and preservation of the German hoard of fabulous art treasures unearthed in the Alt Aussee salt mines.

The art treasures, stolen by Goering and Hitler during

their invasions of European countries, were found in an "operation" headed by Major Posey. He was subsequently decorated by the governments of France and Belgium for his work in the "Protection of Cultural Materials During Combat."

Major Posey is a native of Birmingham and the son of James W. Posey and the late Mrs. Posey of that city. At present he has a sister and four brothers living in Birmingham.

After an early rural schooling, our Alumnus of the Month attended Phillips High School and received a B. S. in both architecture and architectural engineering at Auburn. He was elected to membership in Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi and awarded the Silver Medal of the American Institute of Architects for "General Excellence in Design".

After graduation, he was associated with the firm of Miller, Martin & Lewis, architects, in Birmingham before going to New York to study for two years at the Beaux Arts Institute of Design in New York and establish a business of his own.

When the war came, Major Posey first was assigned to building air bases in the Arctic. According to his own report, "Shortly after arriving in England in February, 1944, I was selected to be on General Patton's Third Army staff as Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Officer. Crossing the channel in the early Normandy beach-head days, I directed the Army's preservation and salvage of cultural treasures from the break-through at St. Lo until the end of the combat in Czechoslovakia and Austria."

After Major Posey and the men

under his command discovered the salt mine treasures, they were transported to the Fuehrerbau in Munich for an exhibition which turned the eyes of the entire art world toward Munich.

In routine inspections of the area assigned to him, Major Posey also uncovered murals in the priority Church of Mont St. Martin, district of Meurthe-et-Moselle, overlooking the Luxembourg border, which French authorities feel are among the most interesting ancient works of art to come to light in years.

"In all," said Major Posey, "We uncovered more than 300 Nazi repositories, some containing only German owned works but France and other allied countries."

"In actual battle," he continued, "repositories were left intact if they had not been damaged, and were guarded by American Infantry. Immediately after the cease fire order, we started moving the looted materials to Munich. There we arranged them in the Fuehrerbau—where the Munich Pack has been signed—and asked all Allied countries to send expert representatives so that restitution could commence.

Illustrated stories of our Alumnus of the Month's adventures and discoveries have been carried in recent issues of Art News Magazine, College Art Journal, The New Yorker, and Town and Country.

In Art News Magazine, the uncovers in the Church of Mount St. Martin is told in a story by Pfc. Lincoln Kirsten. "Noticing traces of color under the damp plaster on the side walls, Major Posey counted seven separate skin-coats of paint and thin plaster coatings. They were loose enough to brush off easily. On the righthand wall, the Annunciation was quickly uncovered—a fresh,

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Major Robert Kelley Posey '26, Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Officer with Patton's Third Army, discoverer of the German hoard of stolen art treasures in the Alt Aussee salt mines, and Alumnus of the Month at Auburn. At right is the Belgian decoration of the Knight of the Order of Leopold, awarded to Major Posey in gratitude from the Belgian government.

PROTECTION OF CULTURAL
MATERIALS DURING COMBAT

By Robert K. Posey
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The following article, written by Major R. K. Posey, Alumnus of the Month, describes the purpose and functions of Monuments Specialist Officers during the war. It is reprinted in its entirety, with permission of the editor, from COLLEGE ART JOURNAL, January 1946.

As the great Allied Expeditionary Force stood poised in southern England awaiting the signal that would start an invasion of Hitler's Europe, a part of the final directive by the Supreme Commander established the basic policy for the protection of "cultural" centers which symbolize to the world all that we are fighting to preserve. Broadly, and in brief, it called for the fighting forces to take all measures, consistent with military necessity, to avoid damage to all structures, objects or documents of cultural, artistic, archaeological or historical value; and to assist wherever practicable, in securing them from deterioration resulting from the process of war. For the purpose of assisting in performing this highly specialized function a Monuments Specialist Officer was attached to the staff of each Army Commander. Generally, this officer had been an art historian or architect in civilian life but was now a trained soldier. Due to the fact that he must work with fighting

troops in the zone of combat, military training was imperative.

At the very beginning of the battle of Normandy it was evident that almost the entire function, both on the staff and in field operations, would become the responsibility of the Monuments Officer. Fortunately, from that time until the close of the war in Austria and Czechoslovakia, no tactical commander in the Third Army showed impatience with this refinement of war. But none had either the time or specific knowledge required for it. Because of the nature of tactical training and the taxing requirements of combat the commanders could be expected to be primarily interested in killing the enemy and in the welfare of their own men. Salvage of cultural things, for an entire Army area, had to be guided by one team: the author and Lincoln Kirsten of New York. It would be necessary to impress cannon company commanders with the fact that cathedral towers should not be used as observation posts be-

cause of the probability of drawing enemy fire. Billeting in chateaux that were historical monuments must be tactfully forbidden. It must be explained to sergeants in charge of bulldozer squads that irreplaceable fragments could be easily covered over in ordinary rubble and lost for all times in the sub-base of a military roadway. The location of repositories of movable works of art must be known in advance of the fighting. These places must be guarded after liberation or capture as the case may be.

Liberated France, Belgium and Luxembourg presented a comparatively simplified problem, for responsible art historians were always found standing firm at repository sites. However, Germany was expected to be radically different. Most of her cities were destroyed and deserted. The locations of her cultural treasures remained military information known only to a few high Nazi officials. Perhaps Allied soldiers would be inclined to be less careful of enemy owned buildings and objects. There might be a tendency to consider looting justified. The fighter knew little of the policy for protection of cultural materials; nor did he know what or where they were. A successful plan of action must, therefore, be one in which every member of the Army had an interest but which called for a minimum of military effort. A relentless drive across northern France but left little time for planning but

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AUBURN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE
FOR THE 1947 SEASON

Date	Game	Place	Price
Sept. 26	—Miss Southern	Montgomery	\$2.50
Oct. 4	—Louisiana Tech	Auburn	2.50
Oct. 11	—Un. of Florida	Montgomery	3.50
Oct. 18	—Georgia Tech	Atlanta	3.60
Oct. 25	—Tulane	New Orleans	3.75
Nov. 1	—Vanderbilt	Nashville	3.50
Nov. 8	—Miss State	Birmingham	3.50
Nov. 15	—Un. of Georgia	Columbus	3.60
Nov. 22	—Clemson	Clemson	3.00

1. Alumni orders will be given priority through July 22.
2. All orders will be numbered as received and be filled according to this number.
3. After July 26 tickets will be held to the general public on first come, first served basis.
4. Tickets for the Georgia Game in Columbus in north end concrete stands will be reserved @ \$2.70.
5. A four-ticket limit has been put on purchases for the Georgia Tech and Georgia Games.
6. Checks or money orders must accompany orders for tickets.



Is Everybody Happy?

By Harry M. (Happy) Davis
Executive Secretary
Auburn Alumni Association

Westward Ho

Meridian, Miss., June 24, Harry M. Davis—At last we're on the way. Here we are with two hundred miles behind us and only 5821 left to go. Arriving in Meridian we found that our coming was not unheralded. As a matter of fact about half the stores had closed in recognition of our visit to the fine eastern Mississippi city. Let us be first to recognize that it was Wednesday afternoon and this did have something to do with the closing, but a fellow can dream, can't he? Isham Mann '34, was waiting for us. Mr. Mann, perhaps we should say, cause we'd have you know that Mr. Mann is President of the Superior Furniture Company of Meridian. That's not exactly following the Mechanical Engineering line but it's probably a lot more remunerative. I think you should know that Isham sneaked off and married himself a Yankee girl from Delaware, Ohio, and that they have a young daughter. Justine, that's the Yankee girl, and "T", that's the young daughter, look very much alike, which is fortunate for young "T".

Wednesday afternoon was spent visiting with some of the gang. L. B. Greshman, '05, was perhaps more full of Auburn than the rest. "Red" has been with the Milton Hardware Company in Meridian since 1910 and is President of the firm. Those of you who remember "Red" would like to know that he's still full of stuff. So is J. V. Duckworth '23. The Doctor is running for Sheriff and advises the people that he is "The Man". The Doctor has a nice clinic on the west side and is doing all right by himself. Roland Adams '18, came down from York with a car load as you will notice from the list of those in attendance. Chris Risher '39, could not make the meeting but his wife furnished very lovely bouquets of orange and blue flowers.

Here's a list of those attending: Those from Meridian were:

T. H. Vardaman (M.S. in Ag. Ed. '46, now studying Vet Medicine here)
Mary Lee Becton '45

Paul Becton '45 D.V.M.
Susan Dick Clopton '47
R. B. Clopton '43
J. V. Duckworth DVM '23
L. G. Greshman '05
Lewie Woodford Hardage '12
Joe F. Lacy, Jr. '41
Isham W. Mann, Jr. '34
Earl L. Steele '25
Mrs. Charles W. Virgin
Charles W. Virgin '26

From York:

Roland L. Adams '18
Aubrey D. Green '46
J. P. Robinson '22
Julian E. Walker '46

From Cuba:

Mr. J. E. Harvey '24

A club will soon be in existence with Isham Mann '34, Red Greshman '05, Dr. J. V. Duckworth '23 and R. B. Clopton '43, appointed as the organization committee.

Jackson, Miss., June 29, Harry M. Davis—Now here's another fine town and it's just full of Auburn men and women. When we got to Jackson we found that Francis Beaird '22 and Luther Smith '28, and the gang had the Auburn Club of Central Mississippi all organized and ready to go. We were fascinated at Jackson's Heidelberg Hotel. We thought we were in Grand Central Station. The Hotel runs through an entire block and is all air conditioned and strictly modern throughout. It was really a swell meeting. What a future I can see for the Association. The Mississippi boys really mean business. The officers elected were Sam Browne '01, Brookhaven, President; Dr. Vann F. Bess '31, Vicksburg, Vice President; W. E. (Bill) Rogers '32, Jackson, Vice President; Luther A. Smith, '28, Jackson, Secretary & Treas. The executive committee will be composed of David M. Dowdell '21, Port Gibson; Dr. Billy U. Flynn '43, Canton, and J. B. Leslie, Jr. '27, Vicksburg. The next meeting of the Club is planned for the near future with some type of outing in the offing.

President Sam Browne '01, plans an active organization. He called for cooperation and un-

derstanding and asked the members to serve Auburn, their Alma Mater, for in service a man can learn to live.

Here's a list of those who attended:

From Jackson:

F. M. Beaird '22
E. H. Butler, Jr. '33 (M.S. '34)
John Day Canterbury '31
Eddie H. Durr '24 D.V.M.
L. L. Denson, Jr. '22 D.V.M.
William H. Eiland, Jr. '47
Grady L. Hicks '33 (M. in Arch. '36)

Henry M. Jones '35
Flynn Justice '31
H. H. Knowles '25
Wesley B. Loflin, Jr. '37
J. Arch Payne, Jr. '43
William C. Piatt '36
Wm. E. Rogers '32
Luther A. Smith '28

From Port Gibson:

Capt. Smith C. Caniell '09
D. M. Dowdell '21

From Vicksburg:

Riley D. Alford '32
Vann F. Bess '31, D.V.M.
James R. Griffith '27
W. W. Harkins '37 D.V.M.
Evelyn Henry Leslie '29
James B. Leslie, Jr. '27
William B. Nelson '29
Claude Thompson '29

From Aliceville, Alabama:

Roy M. Love '43

From Brookhaven, Miss.:

Sam H. Browne '01

From Forest, Miss.:

Bob H. Mayo '39 D.V.M.

Shreveport, La., June 30, Harry M. Davis—Well podner, we are still westward bound and so far everything has been most successful. Shreveport now has the Auburn Club of Ark-La-Tex, which indicates that this city is close to the border of Texas and Arkansas.

We arrived in the heat of the day and brother, when I say heat, I mean heat. It's just normal weather for us westerners though, podner, just normal yipper yaw yeah! Billy Barton '43, wheeled the meeting aided by our good friend Frank Curtis '12. Billy and Frank Keown '47, gathered around for a preliminary session before the meeting. So did Harry Andress '28, the Ford dealer from Minden.

The Club was organized with the following officers. Billy Barton '43, President; D. C. P. Rutledge '03, Vice President; Ralph O. Kiper '42, Arcadia, Secretary and Treasurer. The Executive Committee consists of Dr. David H. Traylor '38 and William (Bill) Little '19.

Fish fries and barbecues are planned for the future. Here's a list of those present:

From Shreveport:

Billy Barton '43
Frank R. Curtis '12
Frank Keown '47
Ralph O. Kiper '42
W. M. Little '19
F. H. Prendergast '17
Clifford P. Rutledge '03 M.D.

John Rutledge '44
John E. Taylor '30
Dr. Davis H. Traylor '38 DVM
J. Winston Wood '39
Charles C. Workman, Jr. '34

From Arcadia:

Wrs. W. E. Conger '17
William E. Conger '18

From Minden, La.:

Harry C. Andress '28

A traveler once stopped at a hotel and asked for a room. When he started to sign the register, a little bug came crawling across the page. The traveler laid the pen down. "I don't care if you got bugs in this hotel, but when they come to see what room you take, that's too much.

Roberts H. Brown '30 Serves 3rd Term in Ala. Legislature

Another of the MONTGOMERY ADVERTISER'S "Know Your Legislators" series features Roberts H. Brown, '30.

"Representative Roberts H. Brown, Opelika, Lee County, was born in Dothan on Oct. 3, 1907.

"He received his early education in the Dothan public schools and was graduated from the San Marcus Academy, San Marcus, Texas. He attended Mercer University in Georgia for two years, 1925-27.

"Brown then entered Alabama Polytechnic Institute and was graduated with a B.S. degree in science and literature in 1930. After teaching school in Brewton for one year, he entered the University of Georgia law school, where he was graduated with an L.L.B. in 1935.

"Returning to Auburn, he established his own law office and practiced there after passing the State bar examination in 1936. He continued his practice in Auburn until 1942 when he entered the Army Air Forces.

"Serving in the Army for three years, one of which was overseas in the European Theater, Brown was a glider pilot and participated in the invasion of the continent in June, 1944, piloting a glider into action on the day after D-Day.

"When he returned to his home base in England, he was injured when run over by an RAF truck. He was separated as

second lieutenant in June, 1945.

"Representative Brown was married in 1935 to the former Sara McDowell Martin, Flemington, Ga.

"He is now serving his third term in the Alabama House of Representatives, though most of his second term was spent in the Army.

"When Brown was separated from the service, he opened his own law office in Opelika, and maintains it there today.

"He was a member of the interim committee on finance and taxation and is a member of the House standing committees on ways and means (chairman) and local legislation.)

"In college he was a member of the Sigma Nu social fraternity. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, Kiwanis Club and the Presbyterian Church.

"Representative Brown said he is interested in seeing Alabama's colleges receive larger appropriations and also wants to have an economical State government."

JOHNY, THE 100 PER CENT AMERICAN

(This editorial written by Jerry Pacht, first appeared over a year ago in The Bruin, UCLA. It is here reprinted from the Auburn Plainsman.)

His ma and pa had always wanted a boy and they finally got one. Johnny was born on a sticky summer Sunday. He didn't grow very fast. He was a skinny little kid and the other fellows always razed him about his size. This bothered Johnny a good deal in those days until he found out he could make his size work for him. It made him the underdog.

Learning this was Johnny's first and most important lesson in psychology. He discovered that he could argue with a big boy and run no risk of being beaten up.

Johnny caught on quickly. Before he was ten he learned that he could always put the blame for anything he did on the colored kids who lived down the street. When he had reached fifteen he knew he would go out and get as much schooling as he could. He went to school and remembered those things which he knew would be useful to him later on.

He studied his Bible thoroughly. A good knowledge of the scripture was a thing a man could use profitably.

Johnny knew it wouldn't be a good idea for everybody to go to school. There was no point in that. Only those who were going to be leaders needed to go to school. God had intended that some were to lead and others were to follow. Johnny was a leader.

When he was eighteen Johnny saw a lynching. He learned a lot about people from that lynching. He found out that people like to let out their anger against someone and when they were discontented it didn't make much difference who that someone was. Johnny had learned about the handiness of a scapegoat. He never forgot it. He went on to learn that the more scapegoats

he could find the more useful they would be.

Johnny started making fourth of July speeches in his home town. He learned how to talk to a crowd. He carefully studied the intricate science of swaying the uneducated mass-mind. He found out how to curse the bankers one minute, the damnyankees the next, and round off with a denunciation of trade unions.

Johnny got so good at talking to people who had never been able to afford schooling that they sent him to Congress.

Johnny went up to Washington to protect the good people of his state from anything which might menace them.

He had learned the first law of politics—always be against something. It might be the Republicans, the Communists, the Catholics, or almost anybody.

Johnny rode into office in the wake of the tidal wave which carried in the New Deal. The New Deal scared Johnny. The new congress made it legal for one of Johnny's scapegoats, organized labor, to bargain collectively. Johnny had always told his constituents that trade unions were imported straight from Russia. Johnny had told the home folks that all union men were Communists and Jews. They were subversive. They were UN-AMERICAN.

Now he had it! Un-American—here was a catchword which he could use on any and all of his scapegoats.

Johnny would fight things Un-American. This was a wonderful word. Call a man un-American and he had no comeback. How

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Conference Called To Improve Life Of Student Vets



Chas. W. Edwards

A conference on the improvement of health and recreational facilities for families of veteran students in Alabama colleges will be held in Montgomery July 24.

The meeting is being called by Charles W. Edwards, Alabama Polytechnic Institute registrar and secretary of the Association of Alabama Colleges, at the request of the American Council of Education.

Invitations are being sent college presidents, veterans affairs directors, veterans organizations and other officers who work directly or indirectly with veterans' families, Edwards said.

The conference will be held in Police Court Room at City Hall in Montgomery, Thursday, July 24 at 10:30 a. m.

The program, as planned by representative of interested organizations June 24 in Montgomery, will include four panel discussions with leaders: medical and hospital services, Dr. J. S. Hough of the State Department of Public Health; special agency resources, Miss Odell Armichael of the State Welfare Department; children's services, Miss Lulu Palmer of the State Department of Education; recreation, Miss Minnie Sellers, director of recreation, Tuscaloosa.

The groups will adopt specific recommendations for special services for veterans' families.

According to a report by the American Council on Education in Washington, D. C., there are 188,000 children in the families of veterans now enrolled in colleges and universities. This number is increasing several thousand per month, the Council said.

GRAD NEW HDA IN PICKENS COUNTY

Rebecca Lee, '40, formerly of Opelika, became home demonstration agent of Pickens County on May 1.

Before entering extension service work, Miss Lee taught vocational home economics at Ranburne, Uriah, and Eclectic. For the past year, she has been employed as assistant home demonstration agent in Cleburne County.

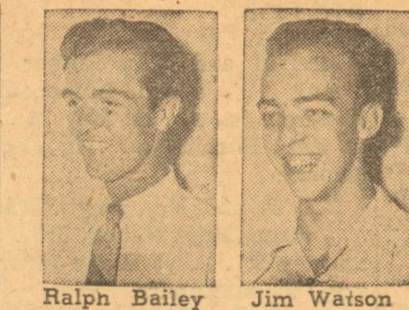
As home agent, Miss Lee will be in charge of the work with 35 home demonstration clubs with an enrollment of 1,054, 17 4-H clubs with an enrollment of 545, and 70 organized neighborhoods, which reach the 2,589 families in Pickens County.

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lovely, faint ghost from an early epoch of North Gothic painting." Major Posey estimated that the date of the painting, in tempera and not a true fresco, was around 1350.

Among the treasures discovered in the Alt Aussee salt mines were such works as "Adoration of the Lamb", painted by the Van Eyck brothers between 1426 and 1432, and formerly in the Church of St. Bavo in Ghent; the early Michelangelo "Madonna and Child," in marble; Da Vinci's bas-relief of David and Goliath from the Lanokoronsky collection; panels of the Ghent altar piece which the Germans stole from the museum at Pau, the Van Eyck singing and organ-playing angels; the great vermeer, showing the artist in his Delft studio painting a model dressed as fame; a canvas for which Andrew Mellon is reported to have offered from \$2,000,000 to \$6,000,000 (Hitler boasted six), but which the Austrian government forbade moving from the capital.

In recognition of his services, Major Posey received the French Cross of the Legion of Honor, presented through the French ambassador in New York City. He also received the award "Chevalier de l'Ordre de Leopold" by the Belgian government for his part in returning the Mystic Lamb, or the Van Eyck's Ghent Altarpiece as it is com-



Ralph Bailey

Jim Watson

monly known, and other cultural treasures to Belgium.

Major Posey is married to a New York girl and they live with their young son, Dennis, at the new home he designed and built for them since his return from Europe. Says Major Posey, "It is a homey affair in the contemporary manner set on a hillside in the woods in the pre-revolutionary Saxonwoods Road section of Scarsdale, New York.

In addition to maintaining his office in New York City, he has recently lectured at the Corcoran Art Gallery in Washington and will lecture in the fall at the Frick Gallery in New York. "If the people of Alabama and the Auburn alumni are interested, I should prefer to return to farming in Alabama and be a part time architect and lecturer on art", revealed Major Posey.

We are indebted to Miss Lily May Caldwell, Art Editor, Birmingham News, and to Mr. J. Owen Posey, Birmingham, brother of our Alumnus of the Month, as well as to Major Posey himself, for the information contained in this article.



Woody Colvin

William Tackett

Laura Pittman

Jack Lee

Auburn Veterans Vote on State Bonus—Ralph Bailey, ex-Navy man whose home is Montgomery declared—"Bonus only a temporary gain . . . appropriations increase is the biggest need. Jim Watson, also an ex-Navy man from Birmingham said—"appropriation benefits all . . . bonus helps only the individual. Woody Colvin, ex-GI of Palmyerdale believes married veterans could use the bonus. William Tackett, ex-GI from Mobile, flatly states: "Bonus means inflation." Laura Pittman, ex-Wac of Robertsedale thinks a budget raise means "long run advantage for veterans." Jack Lee, formerly in the Navy, said veterans are getting too much attention.

API Vets Prefer More Funds For School to Veteran Bonus

Auburn veterans would rather have an increased appropriation for the college than either a state bonus or an old age pension, an Auburn Veterans Association poll revealed today.

In addition, 60 per cent of the ex-GI's want a liquor referendum although they favor the pension bill and the bonus, both of which would be financed by increased liquor taxes.

While 62 percent of the veterans want a state bonus, and 53 percent support the Old Age Pension Bill, 99 percent think the college needs more funds. Over 67 percent would go without a bonus to win the budget raise; nearly 85 per cent would forget the proposed pension.

Auburn is now asking a two-million dollar budget, which the

was the reply. I was shaken by cold chills. Suppose the council of deans at Auburn hears about this? Separate student centers for the boys and girls? They might possibly decide to . . . no they couldn't. It's tradition.

And so with a look of smug satisfaction on my face, my crushed friend and I left the campus of the University of Tennessee and as the setting sun sank into Loudon Lake, my nostalgic thoughts turned back to my own school . . . be it ever so humble there's no place like Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Too Little Note Given API Girls

Too much attention is given Auburn's men students, Dean of Women Katharine Cater declared recently in reporting a long waiting list for girls' dormitory rooms.

The five-to-one ratio of men and women, a strong attraction for prospective co-eds, is not a "good proportion", Dean Cater said.

Auburn has enrolled 1000 women students, 750 of whom live in dormitories. Dean Cater wants 1,200 dormitory girls.

finance and taxation interim committee has halved.

Most surprising of the poll results, according to John Monroe, AVA president, was the vote for a liquor referendum.

"It's a sign the students want to let the majority rule—even if it hits their pocketbooks," Monroe said.

The veterans prefer increased college funds over a bonus because "money is cheap today and education has more value," Monroe believes.

NEW BUILDING FOR AIRPORT

A \$50,000 administration building has been authorized for Auburn-Opelika Airport as a part of a \$95,975 project recently approved by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, it was announced recently.

The program also calls for removal of obstructions on the field, extension of city water, fencing, a new access road and relocation of one hangar, Robert G. Pitts, head professor of aeronautical engineering, said.

A master plan is being drawn up by Sam Brewster, director of Buildings & Grounds.

Appropriations allocated are: CAA, \$49,487; API, \$32,993 and Alabama Department of Aeronautics, \$16,495.

Auburn, pioneer in college aeronautics, purchased the field from its private owners in 1939 so it would be eligible for federal aid funds. As early as 1930 the college used the airport for student training.

'There Ain't No Place Like Auburn' Says Visiting Tiger

By Mitch Sharpe

Knoxville, Tenn.—"And that's the University of Tennessee!"

With a wide sweep of his hand which encompassed what seemed to be half of Knoxville, my friend indicated a large and diffuse pile of ornate masonry.

Being a visitor in this fair city, re: John Gunther's "Inside U.S.A.," I decided out of professional interest to look over the campus of the University which turns out a top-notch football team every few years. Finding a guide wasn't too hard. My old childhood playmate, from the days when I was a child here in Knoxville, offered in the capacity of an undergraduate of that institution to show me over the campus.

I picked up a good deal of information about the University which interested me in a professional way . . . being a college man myself. Eulogy after eulogy followed each description and before I could rejoin "Well, now at Auburn we have . . .", my guide was off on another tangent of life at "The Hill", as it is known locally.

"This is Ayers Hall", he said, pausing before a grandiose building that looked like an academic charity hospital. "This is where the foreign languages, social sciences, etc., are taught. Notice the highly ornate facade and fireproof construction," continued my friend in a two-bit-guide bookish voice. I thought of Broun Hall, but let the thought drop.

"Across the street over there is the library. It's seven stories high and has thousands of books. The seniors are the only ones allowed to go back in the stacks. We undergraduates have to call at the desk," he said, pointing in the general direction of the Atlantic seaboard. "There are many problems involved in keeping up such a large library," he went on. I thought of Mr. Cantrell and

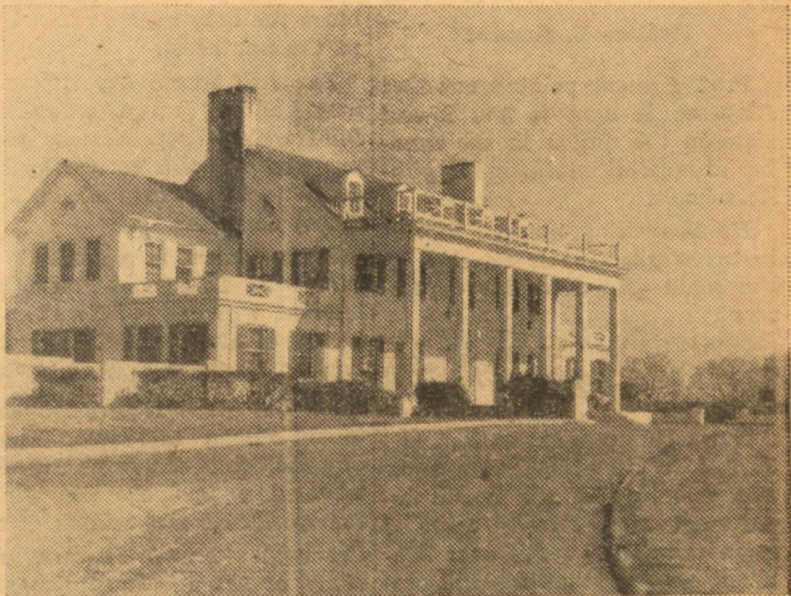
those psychological journals back at the fairest village.

"I guess you haven't anything that looks like that, have you," he asked, showing me the stadium where the Vols have trounced many a worthy opponent, re: Alabama last year. I said, "You just ought to see our stadium at Auburn", and let it go at that.

"We turn out the best engineers in the South, in that building right over there," said childhood friend in turning and pointing to a small building which might pass for a phone booth in a larger town. My hackles rose on my neck at the mention of the best engineers in the South. The spirit of the Plains coursed through my veins and I prepared to fight back. I let him have both barrels as I pushed him toward a rambling barrack affair labeled "Student Center." I painted vivid pictures of Ross Lab and Ramsay Hall, of the El Building and the Textile Building, the machine shops and the new building. I told him of those broiling days with a transit and tape, and those summer labs, and slide rules bobbing at "Return Saber" position . . . A sign of the Engineering haut monde. And then out of breath I suggested we drop in the student center and take on a coke.

Settling ourselves in the wooden building and dragging on a coke, I noticed one thing that seemed peculiar. No girls. No coeds around. No card tables. No bridge. I inquired.

"Oh, the girl's half of the student center is on the other side. We aren't allowed to go in there,"



The home of President L. N. Duncan, well-known landmark on the Auburn campus.

Alumnalities

1894 Margaret Kate Teague's grandson, David Alexander Cole, visited the Plains recently. He stated that Grandmother Margaret would have received her degree in '93 had she not been forced to stay out of school one year. At any rate, she was one of Auburn's first women graduates, and we're very proud of her! She gets the **Plainsman** and **Alumnews** regularly and enjoys them immensely. She still has hopes that at least one of her grandchildren will attend Auburn; David is in Liberal Arts at Harvard, however.

1896 William James "W. J." Beeson wrote us an interesting account recently of his doings, past and present. In '97 he received his MS here and moved on to Blountsville where he taught in the Agricultural High School until '99. From there he went to State Normal College at Jacksonville to serve as Head of the History Department until '05, then to Meridian Male College in the same capacity until '06. After that came his MA from Clark University at Worcester, Mass., in '08. During the next few years he taught in colleges in Texas and New Mexico and in public schools in San Jacinto, Pasadena, and Los Angeles. He states that although he did not receive his Ph. D., his thesis on integration, written for that degree, has been revised and is now in use in an effort to help build a

world of peace and plenty, progress, and happiness. A retired teacher, Mr. Beeson is leader of the Fellowship of Integration which is active in California in efforts to promote world peace. Under his leadership, the Fellowship conducts classes which are free and open to the public on foreign policy and world problems. Mr. Beeson states that his address "has been the same for the past 23 years, likely 23 years more, God willing, and I am not killed on California roads." We wish him many more years of continued success and happiness.

1900 Of interest was a letter we received recently from Sherman G. Forbes. Writing from Mt. Rainier, Md., he states, "I have received a very delightful letter from your President, also one from Mr. Edwards (Registrar), both of which makes me wish to be in Auburn right now."

1907 C. S. Ripley of Cleveland, Ohio, writes that he will be here for Homecoming, October 4th. He calls attention to the fact that this year will mark the 40th anniversary of the class of '07, and he is looking forward to seeing many of those with whom he has been out of touch for so long.

1910 We wish to express our thanks to J. P. Hutcheson for his assistance in finding alumni with whom we had lost contact. Mr. Hutcheson heads the J. Parks Hutcheson Company in Pittsburgh which handles transmission equipment and electrical apparatus.

AUBURN PIONEERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC UNDER ARMENT

Music is on the march in Alabama.

One of its foremost leaders in the state is Hollace E. Arment, head music professor at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Prof. Arment came to Auburn only 18 months ago to pioneer in development of public school music courses in Alabama.

As only five Alabama counties offered music instruction in their public schools, Prof. Arment resolved to improve this situation.



Hollace E. Arment

Prof. Arment pointed out that Alabama is next to the lowest state in the nation in the number of musical instructors in public schools.

He is making musical history in his work. This is attested by the rapid growth of his department.

Prior to his coming to API there was no organized music at Auburn.

Now Auburn already has had 33 full length concerts. In addition members of the music department have already traveled more than 6,000 miles over Alabama, carrying their musical programs into the highways and byways of the state.

Prof. Arment only recently gave Auburn a real musical treat. He and other members of his department have presented their own talent in the Grand Opera, "La Traviata".

The ambition of Prof. Arment is to have trained music instructors in every public school system in Alabama. He is well on his way.

"It is tragic," Dr. Arment said, "when you realize the vast talent among Alabama youngsters which never has a chance to develop because of the lack of even primary training."

In addition to the student music training courses Prof. Arment's department offers adult beginners piano classes at Auburn, the only course of its kind in the Southeast.

The API music department is now building up a scholarship fund which Prof. Arment plans to make available to worthy students who show exceptional ability in music.

Prof. Arment is a graduate of Cincinnati College of Music, Columbia University, Eastman School of Music and Trinity College of Music in London.

He has wide experience as a tenor soloist in radio, opera, oratorio and concerts. He has traveled extensively throughout the world. He was winner of the Cromwell Travel Award for study of Art and Music integration in Europe and the Near East.

BIRTHS

Mr. '41 and Mrs. Luther M. Young . . . a son, Luther McKendree, Jr., . . . on May 28 . . . at Fitts Hospital . . . in Montgomery.

Mr. '39 and Mrs. Hoyt Nation . . . a son, Hoyt Nation, Jr., . . . on May 28 . . . at Drake Infirmary . . . in Auburn.

Mr. '44 and Mrs. M. B. Horrell . . . a daughter, Gail . . . on May 19 . . . at St. Margaret's Hospital . . . in Montgomery.

Dr. (BS '29) and Mrs. G. J. Cotter . . . a daughter, Catherine Cecelia . . . on May 3rd . . . at Drake Infirmary . . . in Auburn.

Mr. '36 and Mrs. J. E. "Ed" Moyer . . . a son, Randolph Edward . . . on January 20 . . . at South Nassau Community Hospital . . . in Oceanside, New York.

1911 We were glad to have news of Hal Stephens Dumas the other day. He's president of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Atlanta. He states that he has been with that company since leaving Auburn, serving as District Traffic Manager in Atlanta, Alabama Traffic Superintendent with headquarters in Birmingham. General Traffic Supervisor in Atlanta, Assistant to Vice President, General Plant Manager, Vice President, and now President. Hal is also very active in all civic organizations in Atlanta. He's doing a wonderful job over there, and we're proud of him!

1917 Congratulations and best wishes to W. L. Parrish who was elected Probate Judge of Chilton County in May. Auburn men have what it takes to forge ahead, and we're always glad to hear about their progress.

1920 We hear by the grapevine that H. S. Genius is connected with Westinghouse Electric Corporation in East Pittsburgh, Pa.

1924 From Lubbock, Texas comes word from Willis Lawton "Red" Owen that he is working as Entomologist for Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. After leaving "the loveliest village of the Plains", he spent one year with the Bureau of Entomology, United States Department of Agriculture; he has been with Texas Agricultural Experiment Station since

State Aid Drops \$50 Per Student Since 1930-31

State appropriations for API have dropped from \$69 to \$19 per student for one quarter since 1930-31, Ralph B. Draughon, director of instruction, announced recently.

At the same time, Alabama's annual income has increased 387 per cent over that period, Draughon declared in explaining Auburn's appeal for a budget raise in 1947-48.

"Auburn is supporting the interim committee on education in recommending that institutions of higher education receive only 12 per cent of total state appropriations," Draughon said, "although in 1939-40 they were given 16 per cent with 10,260 fewer students."

The difference would go to other state schools. The interim committee on finance and taxation, however, has recommended seven per cent for higher education in 1947-48.

"We're being asked to do more on \$28 in 1947 dollars (valued at two-thirds of 1931 dollars) than we did in 1931 with \$69. It's impossible," he asserted.

April of '26. The Owens have two children: Bernard Lawton, 17; and Kenneth, 14. "Red" writes, "Being born in Texas, Bernard L. was not permitted to follow his Dad by attending Auburn."

1926 Felix P. Jones is "keeping 'em flying" out in California with United Airlines. Living in San Mateo, he is an airline pilot at Mills Field in San Francisco.

1929 We received news of Luther E. Creel recently. He is State Representative for Laidlow Publishing Company in Montgomery.

John B. Kincaid writes that he is District Manager for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Jackson, Miss. The Kincaids have two children: John B. Jr., 12; and James C., 4.

1930 J. F. Mitchell, formerly of Copperhill, Tennessee, is now in Rome, Georgia, as a chemical engineer for Celanese Corporation of America. Best wishes and continued success!

From Huntsville comes news of Thomas D. "T.D." Weathers. He is now County Engineer for Madison County.

1931 William "Bill" Hall is in Jackson, Miss., as Manager of Hardin Roell Furniture and Appliance Company. Bill served with the African Corps during the war as a Master Sergeant. Married to the former Esther Harrell, Bill states that they have one daughter, Charleen Campbell.

1932 After five years as math instructor at API, A. J. Killebrew, the Mrs. and son Jack have moved to Angola, Indiana. A. J. has accepted a position with Tri-State College there, and although we disliked losing him we realize that API's loss is Tri-State's gain. Our very best wishes go with the Killebrew family.

1933 James R. Crawford is out in Pittsburgh connected with the Chemical Division of Blaw-Knox Company.

Benjamin Dudley Casey, Jr., is Sales Engineer for General Electric Company of New Orleans. After serving as Sales Engineer in Nashville from '40 till '42, Chattanooga from '42 until '43, and Mobile until '44, he entered active service with U.S. Naval Reserve in May '44. As a Lieutenant, he was a specialist in Ordnance on active duty until April of 1946. He married the former Dorothy Corinne Wilbourne; the Caseys have two children: Dudley Wilbourne Casey, 8; and Dorothy Corinne Casey, 5.

1935 Our thanks to Capt. William B. Capps of Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, for his assistance in locating "lost" alumni. Writes Capt. Capps, "I am always happy to hear from the Association. Each member will feel he is a part of the Association if called upon to do some job from time to time."

1936 Walter Thomas, Jr., Lieutenant Colonel in the Field Artillery stationed in Columbus, Ga., has this to say about the Alumni Association. "I feel that Auburn holds a warm spot in the hearts of all its sons and that \$5.00 per year is not too much to give toward betterment of the school. I am looking forward to the time when my boy will attend and want to keep my interest until I pass that on to him." Expressed sentiments like those are the foundation stones of a good Alumni Association!

1937 George Melbourne "Tack" Hildreth is working in Birmingham as Chief



Capt. J. W. Callahan

API NOW OFFERS DEGREE IN NROTC

Beginning this quarter, API will be turning out graduates under the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps college program, announced Capt. Joseph W. Callahan, head professor of Naval Science and Tactics at Auburn.

Capt. Callahan revealed that at the present time there are approximately 46,000 officers in the Navy, approximately 85% of whom are college graduates. He also stated that the remainder are being sent to college by the Navy to further their formal education. At the present time there are five officer-students at Auburn completing their college training.

The number of student-trainees total fifty-one. "These students will graduate with the opportunity of entering one of the best paid professions," said Capt. Callahan. To back up this statement, he showed statistical proof that the average regular Naval officer receives higher pay than the average college graduate.

of the Education and Training Unit of the Veterans' Administration. Tack served as a Major in the Corps of Engineers during the war. The Hildreths have two daughters: Nancy Clare, 6; and Jennifer Ann, 2.

Sam Gibbons, formerly with the Lee County Bulletin in Auburn, has moved to Memphis, Tenn., where he will enter business with his father-in-law in the Ben Howell and Son Saddletry. Spending the past year and a half in Auburn, Sam and Fern have made a place for themselves that will not be filled. Good luck to both of them in Memphis!

1939 Henry Graham "Doc" Sellers, Jr., was an instructor at API from 1939 until 1944. After leaving here he went on to Case School in Cleveland where he was Research Assistant in the School of Applied Science. There "Doc" received his MS. He is now Research Chemist with Southern Research Institute in Birmingham.

Friends of Louis W. Gardner will be interested in the fact that he is connected with Gulf Research Lab at Cheswick, Pa.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Margaret Jennie Baker . . . of Hapeville, Ga., . . . to Robert Cully Johnston '39, of Hapeville and Auburn.

Lorraine Bartfield . . . of Milwaukee, Wis., . . . To Howard B. Seidler '40 of Hattiesburg, Miss., formerly of Birmingham.

Ruth Sibley . . . of Birmingham . . . to Alfred Eubank Pearson, '41 . . . also of Birmingham.



EVERYBODY READS THE AUBURN ALUMNEWS

ALUMNALITIES

1940 Guy R. Lynn was appointed recently by Gov. James E. Folsom to a 12-year term on the Board of Trustees of API. He was named to replace Edward A. O'Neal of Florence whose term had expired. He will be the Eighth Congressional District Representative.

1941 Earl Austin Crow, Jr., writes that he is now Electrical Engineer for Monsanto Chemical Company of Oak Ridge, Tenn. Earl married the former Maurine Hayden.

1943 Ernest Henry "Strat" Stratmeyer wrote us the other day. He is at present a Captain in the Veterinary Corps of the Army and gives his business address as Joppa, Illinois.

J. B. Wilson, Jr., officially represented API at the inaugural ceremonies of Dr. David Blair Owen as president of Bradley University, Peoria, Ill., in May. J.B., Jr., is now export divisional manager for Latin America for the Caterpillar Tractor Co. For the past scholastic year he has also been an instructor of mathematics in the evening classes at Bradley University.

John B. Martin received his MS from Ohio State University at the end of the spring quarter. Congratulations, John!

Jack Knight, former employee with the State Planning Board, was recently appointed Planning Engineer to act as a paid permanent official of the voluntary Montgomery City Planning Commission. Jack's office will be in the City Hall in Montgomery.

MARRIAGES

Marvis Virginia Reeger, '44 . . . of Palmetto, Fla. . . and J. Randolph Snell, '46 . . . of Midland City, Ala. . . on January 5th . . . at First Baptist Church in Palmetto, Fla.

Annelu Moore, '43 . . . of Auburn . . . and Michael Thomas Ray . . . of Louisville, Ky., on May 16th . . . at First Baptist Church in Auburn.

Ray Monroe, '47 . . . of Huntsville . . . and William Frankley Laney, '46 . . . of Columbus, Ga. . . on May 1 . . . in Anniston.

Margaret Jennie Baker . . . of Hapeville, Ga. . . to Robert Cully Johnston, 39 . . . of Hapeville and Auburn . . . on April 19 . . . at First Methodist Church

in Hapeville.

1946 Billy Joe Dooley is now Junior Engineer for the Alabama Power Company in Birmingham.

Friends and classmates of Louise Fleming will be interested to know that she is now psychologist for the Armstrong Guidance Center in Savannah. Doing graduate assistantship at Ohio State University, she received her AB and MA there. She has a nice record as Chief Psychologist at Vince A Day Children's Home in Minneapolis, Minn., and as a teacher at the Mississippi Polio Clinic at Jackson. Here thesis was recently published in American Journal Orthopsychiatry.

William Scott "Bill" Couch is in the Real Estate business in Columbus, Ga. Bill has an outstanding service record; he spent 1943 through 1946 in the U.S. Army as a Special Agent of the War Department, during which time he served with Japanese counter-intelligence.

Marguerite Everett Sherlock, whose degree was in Laboratory Technology is now technician for Dr. A. Trumper of Montgomery. She spent two years as lab tech-

15 STUDENTS TO STUDY AT SUMMER FORESTRY CAMPS

Fifteen forestry students of Auburn will spend 10½ weeks this summer in practical study at the API forestry department's first summer camp.

One third of the time in camp will be devoted to timber cruising, another third to the study of various forest industries in Alabama, and the remaining time devoted to the study of forestry engineering, ecology, and public forest administration.

The 10½ week camp this year will be held at two locations in Alabama. Seven and one-half weeks will be spent at the Little River State Forest, Uriah, Monroe County, and three weeks at Camp Mac, Talladega.

Professor Harold E. Christen, API forestry staff, will be in charge of the camp. Specialized subjects will be taught by other members of the forestry staff at various times.

The summer camp will be an annual feature of API's 4-year course in forestry, begun a year ago. Each forestry student will be required to attend one sum-

mer camp before his graduation. nician in the WAVES, and was discharged as a Pharmacist's Mate, 2/c.

Mary Ellen (Thomas) Deignan is now Assistant Dietitian at Graves Dining Hall here in Auburn.

George Barry Graves, Jr., is electrical engineer in instrument research for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Langley Field, Va. George married the former Mary Ann Vick.

Atwood Bullock Rush held the rank of Captain in Field Artillery during the war and was awarded the ETO ribbon with four battle stars and the Silver Star.

Friends of Clyde Dennis Wood, Jr., will be interested in the fact that he is Research Chemical Engineer with Monsanto Chemical Company at Anniston, Ala. Clyde married the former Fay Blake, and the Woods have one daughter, Ann, 1½.

William Arthur "Shorty" Faulkner is now associated with Dr. C. A. Moody, practicing Vet Medicine in Newnan, Ga. "Shorty" is now a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Jimmy Pinkney Nix, Jr., after serving 20 months in the European theatre as a Captain in the Field Artillery, is Head Vocational Agriculture Teacher in the Veterans' Administration at Centerville, Alabama.

Otto Louis "Dick" Evans writes in that he is with Sears, Roebuck and Company in Montgomery. Dick was with the 69th Infantry Division in ETO during the war. He served from '43 till '46 as a 1st Lieutenant.

1947 James O. "Jim" Vann, who got his BS in math at Bowling Green University in Ohio, received his MS here this year in physics. Jim was an Air Corps Captain and spent from '41 till '46 in service.

Mack Warren Dillard received his BS this year and remained with us to work on his BA. Good work, Mack.

Martha Nell Simpson has been appointed assistant home agent in Marshall County with headquarters at Guntersville. She started to work as assistant agent immediately after finishing here in June.

Montgomery Vance Truss is staying on to continue his work

WHEELER WINS FELLOWSHIP TO U. OF CHICAGO

Jesse H. Wheeler, Jr., '39, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wheeler, Sr., Pisgah, Alabama, was one of 177 graduate students from 34 states, Washington, D. C., and five foreign nations awarded fellowships to the University of Chicago, President Ernest C. Colwell announced today.

The fellowships, their total value exceeding \$158,000, are granted from the university's annual budget of \$594,912 for student aid. Last year the university presented scholarships and fellowships in a cash amount large enough to carry the expenses of a moderate-sized community.

Wheeler, who was awarded the Salisbury fellowship in the division of social sciences, will work toward a doctor of philosophy degree in geography.

A graduate of API, Wheeler received his bachelor of science degree in 1939 and his master of science in 1941. He was graduated from Jackson County high school in Scottsboro, Alabama, in 1935.

During the war, Wheeler was a captain in the army and served in both the European and Asiatic theaters.

First Ten Music Scholarships Offered in Fall

The first ten music scholarships to Auburn will be open to 1947 Alabama high school graduates this fall, Dr. Hollace E. Arment, head professor of music, has announced.

Eight of these, authorized by Auburn's Board of Trustees June 3, will be given in four classes—two each in singing, piano, orchestral instrument and band instrument work.

One scholarship is sponsored by Auburn Piano Club and music faculty members who gave concerts for that end. The Alabama Federation of Music Clubs is offering a scholarship of \$100. The other nine cover \$90 tuition in applied music for three quarters, Dr. Arment said.

Applicants will be judged on playing or singing ability as well as scholastic records. Preference will be given students who expect to major in music.

toward a second degree in Industrial Management. His wife, the former Lois Rogers received her degree here in '45. Monty served in CBI in Weather Reconnaissance during the war and was awarded the Air Medal. He was discharged July 10, 1946 as a Captain.

Samuel Lee "Sam" Patton writes that he's with Wolverine Tube Division in Detroit, Michigan. Sam flew 33 months with the Army Air Corps as a 2nd Lieutenant.

From Andalusia, Alabama, we have word that Marcus Randolph "Randy" Kyzar is doing well as a druggist there. As a 1st Lieutenant with the Air Corps, Randy piloted C-47's in the CBI theatre.

Robert Livinison "Bob" Ferrell stayed on to instruct Mechanical Engineering here. Bob spent one year in ETO as a B-24 navigator; his entire service consisted of 35 months during which time he held the rank of 1st Lieutenant. He married the former Peggy Jo Tucker, who was in Pharmacy here, and they are now living in Auburn's new Faculty Apartments on Hare Avenue.

Latest word from Claud Henry Moore reveals that he is a student and part-time poultry instructor at Kansas State College in Manhattan, Kansas.



Walter Mueller

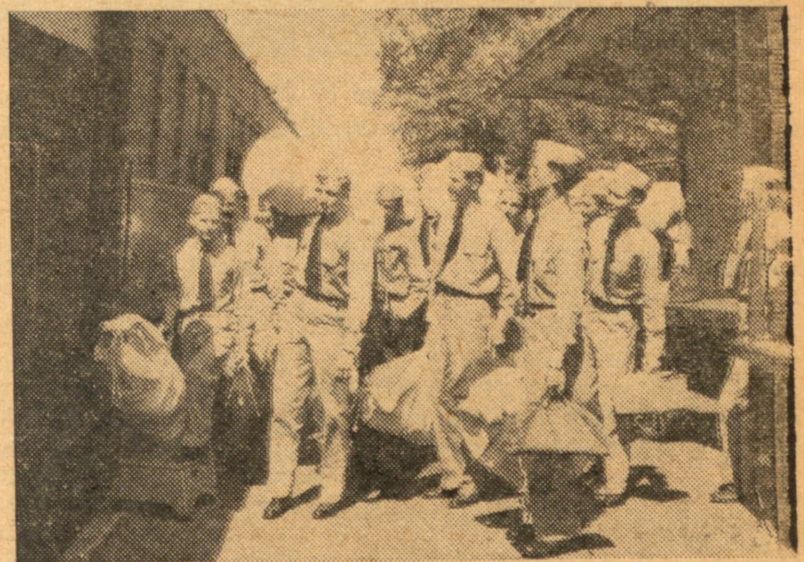
WALTER MUELLER TO TEACH ORGAN AND PIANO HERE

The appointment of Walter H. Mueller as Assistant Professor of Organ and Piano is announced by Dr. Hollace E. Arment, head of the Music Department of Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Prof. Mueller received his Bachelors

Degree from Whitman College in Washington, with special diplomas in piano, organ and theory. He then went to continue study at the internationally famous Leipzig conservatory, finishing a four year course in two years, and graduating cum laude. He remained abroad two more years, concertizing extensively, and teaching, while carrying on advanced study with master teachers. He has studied under famous teachers Karg-Elert, Walter Niemann, Robert Teichmüller and K. Straube, and holds the Master Artists Diploma, which is the equivalent of the Doctors Degree in the United States.

Prof. Mueller has taught several years at the University of Idaho, and has served as Minister of Music in prominent San Francisco churches. His concert experience has been wide and varied, both in Europe and America. He has appeared as radio soloist and organist at many of the west coast stations, and as a member of the San Francisco Sinfonietta. He has taught privately in his own studios, and is a member of the American Guild of Organists and the International Bach Society. He will begin his teaching duties with the Summer Quarter in the A.P.I. Music Department.

All aboard and anchors aweigh



Above are 25 Auburn NROTC midshipmen departing recently for Annapolis, where they will embark on a three month Caribbean cruise. The midshipmen are assigned to the new cruisers U.S.S. Albany and U.S.S. Oregon City. Their itinerary will include Canal Zone, Trinidad, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Bermuda, New York, and Hampton Roads, Va.

Johnny

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could a man prove he was a good American. He couldn't.

Johnny used his word. He made it work for him. He used it on anyone who thought Negroes should be allowed to vote. He used it on anyone who fought fascism in Spain. He used it on the folks who thought that a man should not be denied a job because of his color, creed, or race.

Johnny got himself appointed to the House Committee on Un-American Activities. This job was a supercharger for Johnny's hate-throwing engine. The tax payers now paid for Johnny's character assassination.

Johnny was sitting pretty in the driver's seat. He was really protecting the folks back home. He was their fearless champion. He attacked anyone who could not fight back.

What has become of Johnny? Nothing has become of Johnny. The end of this story has yet to be written. Johnny was last seen sending his spies west to investigate the un-American plot by which Hollywood was going to overthrow the government.

They should be here any day. Marx, The New Republic, the Nation. Burn your new Red Shostakovich records. Get out your Bible and flag. Beware citizen! Johnny's on the guard for such activity.

Summer Enrollment

Overworked teachers at Auburn will have a rest this summer from crowded classes.

At the close of registration, official count stood at 4600 students. This compares with about 6082 enrolled in the spring quarter.

Activity on the campus is heightened, however, by the annual Education Summer School, as well as a Home Economics Extension Workshop and a Resource-Use Workshop.

Cultural Materials

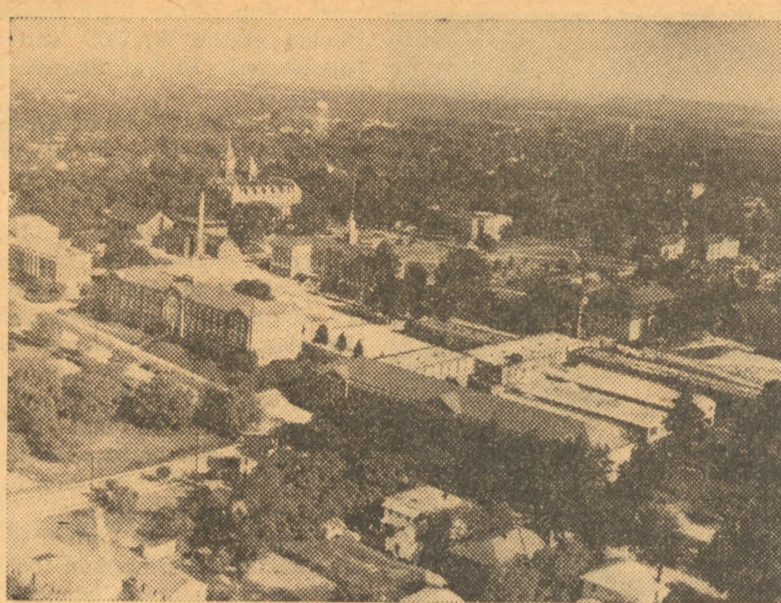
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by the time spearheads reached Lorraine and American troops had liberated the beautiful capital of Nancy a great many soldiers were keenly awake to the historical interest of towns and villages in the path of the Army. This natural curiosity could be turned into an educated interest of great potential aid to the Monuments program. As a help in bringing this about a short letter of historical notes on Nancy was written and circulated among the troops. Since this first one was widely read and commented upon, another was written at Metz and again at the city of Luxembourg. Each new one became more in demand. When the Army launched its drive through the Siegfried Line on January 29, 1945, such notes were expected on Germany too, for it was expected that her cities would be of cultural interest.

With the murderous West Wall forts silenced and a stunned Wehrmacht falling back, the lovely Moselle valley lay before the invaders. The fresh greenness of early spring softened the harsh spectacle of smashed villages. Trier, at first, seemed to be only a mass of smoldering ruins; but perhaps the beauty of her ancient architecture could be pointed out. Toward this end we wrote:

Trier, on the Moselle river, heart of some of the richest vineyards in the world, is the oldest city in Germany, possibly in Western Europe. A famous Roman inscription reads: "Trier stood one thousand three hundred years before Rome; may it continue to stand and enjoy eternal peace."

Trier has known centuries of relentless war. We see it now in perhaps the worst condition it has been since the middle ages, but in spite of the present damage, the town exists as a treasure



Aerial view of the Auburn campus, looking southeast from West Magnolia in the foreground. In the foreground, mostly hidden by the trees, is the Textile Engineering Building. Proceeding east along Magnolia are Ramsay Engineering Hall and Brown Hall. Directly behind Ramsay is the Ross Chemical Laboratory.

house of Roman, early Christian, Gothic and Baroque architecture.

The Roman city of Augusta Trevirorum (The Emperor Augustus' Town of the Teutonic tribe of the Treveri) was founded on an ancient tribal encampment, as an Imperial military base, about twenty years before the birth of Christ. Through the ages, Trier has been known as a garrison town.

In 260 A. D., the town was completely destroyed by the Alemanni, the most powerful of the native German tribes, but was shortly reconquered by the Legions, and entirely rebuilt, on a roughly rectangular plan, with very massive masonry fortifications. The North, or Black Gate (Porta Nigra) dates from the great walls undertaken in the reign of the emperor Constantine.

Outside of Italy, perhaps the most important Roman remains in Europe are to be found at Trier. These include two large bathing establishments, a large amphitheatre for games, the base-wall of the Cathedral, the walls of the Basilica, the base of the town walls, the basalt piers of the bridge across the Moselle, and Porta Nigra.

Around 450 A. D., the Franks, and other ferocious ancestors of the modern Wehrmacht, overran the Western Roman Empire, and set up their own, which they ruled from the Imperial ruins of the temples and baths of Trier.

During the Middle Ages, Trier was a very important seat of Christian ecclesiastical authority, with influence extending into Lorraine, Luxembourg and Bishops of Trier were among those who elected the so-called Holy Roman Emperor, who was actually the chief of the Germanic central-European confederation which at various times included the German principalities, Austria, Bohemia, Spain, the Netherlands and northern Italy.

In 1473, Charles the Bold of Burgundy, and the German Frederick III met in Trier, concerning the proposed marriage of their children Maria and Maximilian, from whose union descended the house of Hapsburg and the inheritance of Austria, Bohemia, the Netherlands and Latin American.

The great Cathedral (Dom), largely a Romanesque and early Gothic edifice on Roman foundations, is magnificently decorated by a series of altar-tombs of the great Archbishops of Trier, many of the finest being carved by Hans Rupperecht Hoffman, in the late 16th century. Part of the precious treasure of the Dom includes the Seamless Cloak, which the Roman soldiers stripped from Christ at his Crucifixion.

Trier became a frontier city in the Thirty Years Wars. The French have always called it Treves, after the original Germanic tribe. Through the reign of Louis XIV, it suffered repeated conquest and sack. It was occupied by the armies of the French Revolution in 1794, by Napoleon in 1814, and by the Allies in 1918-19.

About 1935, the Third Reich, together with interested citizens of Trier and the association of wine-merchants, began systematically to restore Trier as a great German historical monument. They spent a very large sum of money on the Market Place, now largely demolished, and in the Simeonstrasse, making it into a complete "Street of German History." It commenced with the earliest structure, the Porta Nigra, which had been used as a Christian church from the early Middle Ages, and was only transformed to its present fairly original state in the early nineteenth century.

Perhaps the most serious recent damage is to the facade of the Dom, the Liebfrauenkirche next to it, the connecting cloister, the fine baroque Palace of the Counts of Kessel, the Archbishop's Residence, and the roof of the restored early Christian Basilica, recently a protestant church.

Particularly fine is the Paulinerkirche, a five minute walk toward Porta Nigra, on the left-hand side of the street, from this Headquarters. It is the finest example of the late baroque or rococo in Western Germany and was built in 1740. It was slightly damaged in combat, by an aerial bomb, but is virtually perfect. Very remarkable are the high proportions, the amazingly rich stuccoed ceiling, the fine organ loft, and the choir with its bronze-gilt grille.

On the outskirts of town, the Abbey Church of St. Matthew is a very beautiful early Gothic complex of buildings with later additions. It has no war damage.

It is interesting to note that Karl Marx, upon whose social and economic theory, the present Russian state was founded, was born in Trier. His house, formerly an import deposit of Marxian documents and archives was turned into a Nazi newspaper office. It was destroyed in aerial bombardment.

The Cathedral Treasure, the Fountain of St. Peter from the Market Place, the Market Cross, the town archives and libraries, the principal Roman objects from the destroyed Provincial Museum was safely stored in nearby caves and specially constructed bunkers.

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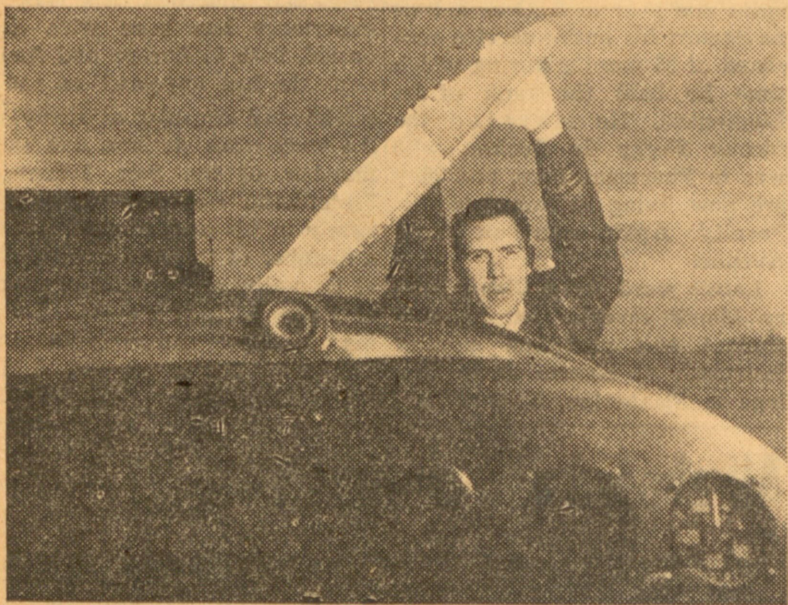
native cultural advisers to the civil government were appointed. We had questioned native and stay-behind occupational officials in Alsace, Lorraine Luxembourg about the behavior of Rhineprovinz art scholars. This group was ordered to salvage fragments, barricade damaged walls, make temporary repairs wherever possible, gather scattered documents, open secret passages to bunkers containing movable works of art and advise upon necessary emergency care. In brief, except for military guards, it would do all work and do it in strict accordance with the wishes of Military Government. This commission of five began work in Trier two days after capture of the city. Only one incident marred its eager efficiency, one appointee, Dr. Wilhelm von Massow, Curator of the Landesmuseum, was found to have been a party member in good standing. He was promptly dismissed.

Information was received that another Nazi, an important one, was hiding in the nearby hills. As it later developed this was a former art scholar and indeed the key to the entire German puzzle. He had commanded a company in the first Ardennes breakthrough and during the occupation was second in command of the bureau "für Kulturschutz und Kultur" in Paris. He had worked with Goering and fought Alfred Rosenberg's organization for the "protection" of cultural materials. With campaign maps spread before us, all of the important repositories in Germany were marked and marginal notes of contents made. Here we learned that the Reichsmarschall had moved his extensive takings from Karinhall to Veltenstein and that he would later take them to his hunting lodge at to find Rothschild materials at Berchtesgaden. We could expect Schloss Neuschwanstein. The Mystic Lamb would be among Hitler's takings in a salt mine at Alt Aussee, Austria, but bombs were already set for complete demolition upon our arrival. For future use, a list of art historians, with degree of party affiliation, was made for every important town in southern Germany.

Action taken at Trier served as a model for many German cities. Variations were necessary to meet new conditions but the plan remained basically the same. As fresh information was gathered along the route it was sent back to Army Group Headquarters so that it could be forwarded to other armies. News that the Metz Cathedral Treasure had been taken to Siegen resulted in its being found intact by another army. For the first time in the history of America at war a sincere effort was made to protect objects of cultural value during actual combat. However, we were too few and the work too great for the achievement of more than partial success. Many fine buildings had been hit. They were given whatever first-aid was possible in total war. Great paintings had been hidden in caves for years. They were quickly cared for by experts put into the armed forces for that purpose. Yet much was lost, in spite of all efforts made.

The cast for the Auburn Players' production of Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar", to be produced starting August 4, has just been announced by Prof. T. B. Peet, Director.

Auburn independent and fraternity leagues will tangle in an intramural tournament from June 30 to August 4.



Dimitri (Jim) Constantine of Pensacola, Fla., cranks up at Auburn-Opelika Airport. Constantine is a student flyer.

No Disasters at Auburn-Opelika Airport Since '39

Recent plane disasters have spotlighted air safety, but Alabama Polytechnic Institute can stand on its record.

Since the college took over Auburn-Opelika Airport in 1939, there have been no fatal or serious accidents among student fliers, who daily leave the ground like a covey of quail.

Robert G. Pitts, head professor of aeronautical engineering, attributes the field's record to strict rules and good maintenance of its 18 planes and equipment.

"We've set up regulations against dare-devil flying and we enforce them," Pitts said. "Students who violate the rules of safety won't get another chance."

The flying program is conducted entirely by eight student instructors and five maintenance men, most of whom have had military flying experience. Expansion of operations has been authorized recently by the Civil Aeronautics Administration and is now being mapped.

Most of the 170 embryo pilots now enrolled are veterans, who may take the entire course under the GI Bill of Rights. The regular fee of \$375 covers around 35 hours flying time, insurance and other requirements. Both private and instructor licenses are given.

Along the Bench

By Jack Simms



With only one week of practice behind them, several of the 70 members of the Tiger football squad are looking like great prospects. Because of the terrifically hot weather, Coach Carl Voyles has put his charges through fundamental drills only, with stress being placed on blocking and tackling. One change in the Plainsman lineup this fall will be that of Hal "Needle Nose" Herring. Needle has been moved from quarterback to center in hopes of giving the forward wall more experience.

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The best news of the year came last week when Coach Voyles announced that Auburn is getting an adequate building for basketball this fall. For the past 15 years, we have been in dire need of a better basketball floor and increased seating facilities. The building, previously used by the army as part of a recreational program, has been given to Auburn by the federal government and will have to be torn down, shipped from Texas, and reconstructed here. Coach Voyles has chosen the site on which the stables now stand as its location. The basketball floor is 100 by 180 feet and has seating facilities for 4000 fans. Other than basketball, the gym floor will be used for varsity wrestling and men's PE classes.

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Along the same line of thought is the beginning-of-summer basketball practice during which time Coach Voyles hopes to hold workouts three evenings a week. The latest addition to the hardwood club is Glenn Nixon, a seventeen year old all-state hoopball star from Tulsa, Oklahoma. Glenn should get to be a fairly big boy when he is full grown. He's only 6' 8" . . . 'nuff said. Also from Tulsa are two boys who should bolster Coach Umbach's wrestling team. One was a finalist at 121 pounds.

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Summer football practice got under way Monday for all new members of the squad and from 4:30 to 6:00 anyone can go out and look 'em over. With the return of Jack Cahoon, guard and alternate captain of last year's team, the forward wall should be strengthened considerably.

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Latest Methods In Water Sport Safety

Old methods of giving artificial respiration can cost the life of a water accident victim.

API, facing the summer season of water sports, has taken new precautions to protect its students.

Classes in water safety and first aid are taught the new Red Cross technique which emphasizes speed in beginning artificial resuscitation and discards heavy, irregular pressure for a light, continuous manipulation.

Coach Bob Evans, director of intramural sports, who recently returned from the National Red Cross Aquatic School at Camp Carolina, N. C., says too much pressure can cause a lung hemorrhage in a drowning victim.

"Prevention is the most important part," Evans declares, "and speed should be the first consideration in giving artificial resuscitation.

"If a boat is near, don't wait to get a drowning person to shore. Begin treatment right away," he advises. "Then be careful to use a steady, rhythmic pressure with arms held straight."

All physical education majors at Auburn are taught Red Cross techniques, Evans said.

NEW API SPORTS NEWS MAN NAMED

Frank Sego has been appointed to the position of acting API sports publicity director, vacated by Elmer Salter, it was announced by head coach and Athletic Director Carl Voyles recently.

An Auburn student, Sego is majoring in journalism - English. He expects to make sports writing and radio broadcasting his career upon graduation.

Sego formerly attended Troy State Teachers College where he

handled publicity. He has been sports editor of the Plainsman for the past eight months.

Having served in World War II in the infantry, Sego holds the distinction of being the youngest top sergeant ever discharged from Fort MacArthur, Calif.

It was originally announced that Sego would be joined in his new position by Jimmy Coleman, present Plainsman editor. Coleman, an art student, was unable to accept because of an academic conflict.

Tidwell to Rejoin '47 Tiger Squad

Travis Tidwell will definitely be ready to join his Tiger mates for the 1947 football season. That was the encouraging assurance Coach Carl Voyles received from Dr. John Sherrill, the Birmingham specialist who has been treating the nation's total offense leader since April 25.

Shortly after Tidwell's leg was broken in a slide to second base during the Auburn-Florida baseball game of that date, Dr. Sherrill pronounced a period of at least six weeks before Travis would be free from the cast.

Several days ago the Auburn ace was back in Birmingham to have his leg examined by Dr. Sherrill. The specialist, who has treated Tiger athletes for years, did remove the bracing but decided it best to give the leg the support of a new cast for another month. Barring any unforeseen complications, the leg will be ready for exercise on August 1.

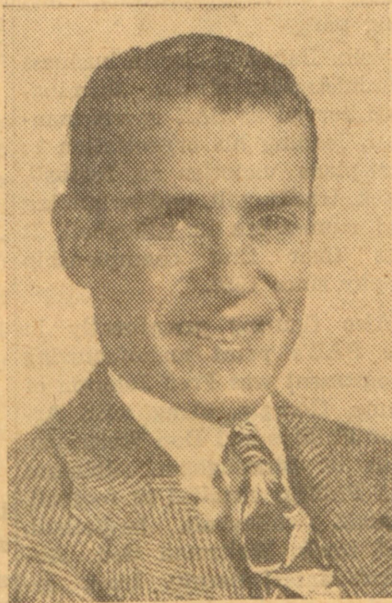
Naturally it will take time for the limb to round into top condition but with two months of rebuilding, Dr. Sherrill is confident that the travelin' tornado will be ready for 60 minutes of the roughest competition in the Florida game on October 11.

Meanwhile Tidwell is receiving hours of valuable announcing instruction from Marion Hyatt, general manager of radio station WJHO in Opelika. He has worked several play-by-play broadcasts of the Opelika Owls baseball games and aired the Georgia-Alabama League All-Star tilt on July 7.

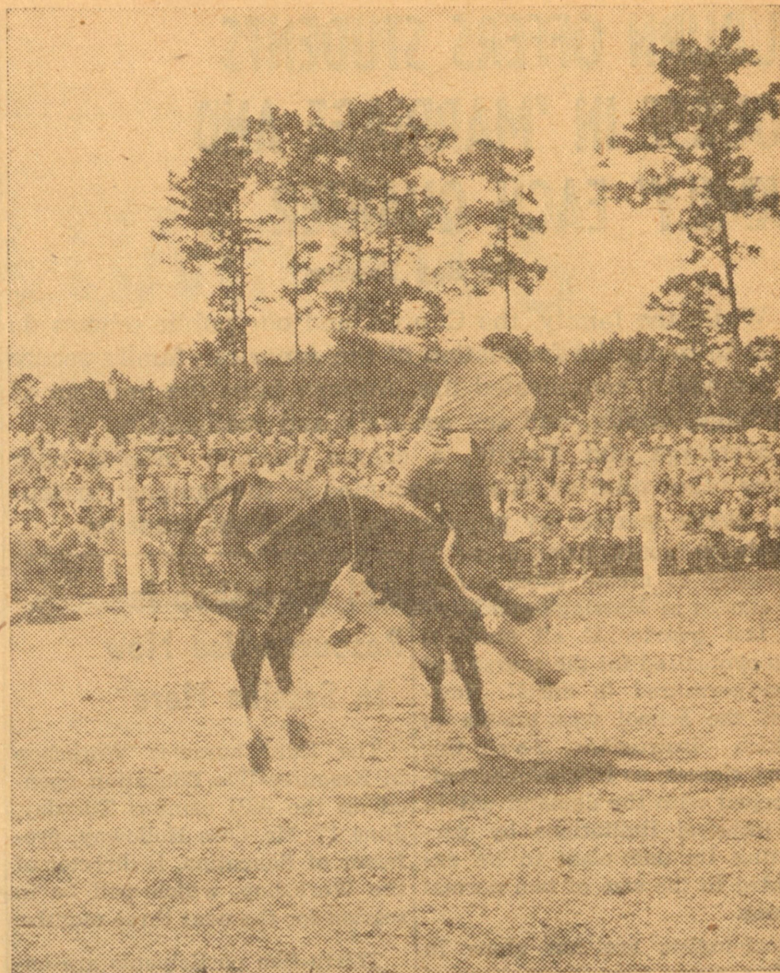
Parmer Forming Casting Club

A Casting Club is being formed in Auburn with the aim of engaging in state, Southeastern, and national competitive casting. Tournaments are held annually in Alabama which consist of several types of competition, including 5/8 oz. accuracy, 3/8 oz. accuracy, 5/8 oz. distance, skish (with 5/8 oz. plug), and dry and wet fly. All classes of competition are for individual or team entries. Competitive tournaments each year offer prizes such as reels, rods, tackle, and trophies.

D. G. Parmer, an Auburn student, is forming the club. Parmer has also received information from Mr. Kilpatrick, assistant state manager of the Woodmen of the World in an endeavor to re-establish a lodge in Auburn. Anyone interested in either of these organizations should contact D. G. Parmer, Box 211A, Wrights Mill Road.



Frank Sego



The steers were wild and bucking but they were no match for hard riding Auburn students at Auburn's third annual Rodeo, June 28-29. An estimated crowd of 1500 attended each day of the big wild western jamboree and pronounced it the most successful Rodeo ever.

CAPACITY CROWD THROWS TO AUBURN'S THIRD RODEO

A steer's broken horn and a trampled fence were the only casualties as approximately 3000 gasping spectators watched both days of Auburn's third annual rodeo, June 28-29.

The wildest stock Auburn has ever seen tore up the Rodeo grounds. Even the milking cows were so mad that they had to be held by the tails as cowgirls went to work on them. Steeds threw determined cowboys right out of the chutes before the gates were opened. The air echoed with the shouts of contestants and the snorts of the animals mixed with a blast of western music.

The steers didn't want to be thrown, the cows didn't want to be milked, and those wild mules certainly didn't want to be ridden. But they met their match in

the hard riding Auburnies, most of them members of the Auburn student chapter, American Veterinary Medical Association, sponsors of the Rodeo.

Rodeo events included a wild mule scramble; barrel race; steer riding; cow girls milking contest; bareback bronc riding; garment race; mounted musical chair race; wild cow milking; steer wrestling; mounted wrestling; bareback mule riding.

Connor '43 Returns To Civilian Life

Capt. Nolen D. Connor, '43, son of Mrs. W. C. Connor, 111 Thomas Street, Auburn, Alabama, has returned to civilian life recently, after fifty months' service with the Army Ground Forces. During this period, he served at various posts and camps in the United States and with the American Occupation Forces in Germany.

Capt. Connor's assignment at Headquarters First Service Command was that of Aide-de-Camp to Major General H. L. McBride. He also had this assignment in Germany and returned to the United States with General McBride when the latter assumed command at Boston.

In civilian life, Capt. Connor is a veterinarian, graduating from Alabama Polytechnic Institute with the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine.



A. John Kaunas in The New York Times Book Review

"If you must know, that's how it ends."

AUBURN OFFERS STUDENTS COURSE IN 'MARRIAGE AND FAMILY' EACH QUARTER

By Ray Fowler

While the family, the Church, and our public schools do little to make the foundation of the American family secure in a modern, complicated life, Auburn faces the problem of marriage, family, and sex squarely and realistically.

Marriage and Family, a course recently offered only every other quarter, is now included in the campus curriculum every quarter by popular demand of the students.

Auburn would have found it necessary to create three separate classes in Marriage and Family last quarter if all students who clamored for the course had been permitted to enroll. However, the school was unable to furnish instructors for this many classes; so it wholeheartedly coped with the demand within its physical limitations by permitting its one class to be expanded to the size of two normal classes.

Sociologists are not alone in their concern over the welfare of the American home in face of recent statistics which portray that one out of every three marriages in the United States end in divorce (They do not picture the number of unhappy marriages that are never aired in the divorce court). Auburn students entertain no foolish illusions that their beautiful romance has little chance of clashing with grave problems of marital strain such as financial, sex maladjustment, and the growth of individualism.

Marriage and Family as taught at Auburn is a comprehensive study of the family from its earliest form, of courtship, preparation for marriage, marriage laws, divorce laws, husband and wife relation, parent and child relation, family relations, and problems facing the present day married couple.

Mrs. Frances Culpepper, who teaches the course this quarter, has worked extensively in social work and marriage counseling throughout Alabama and Tennessee.

Both Auburn officials and Auburn students adopt a philosophy

API Workshop in Resource-Use Now In Session Here

The third summer Workshop in Resource-Use Education opened on the API campus Tuesday, June 17. Mr. Otto Holloway, professor of Education, is director of the Workshop, which will be in session for the next three months.

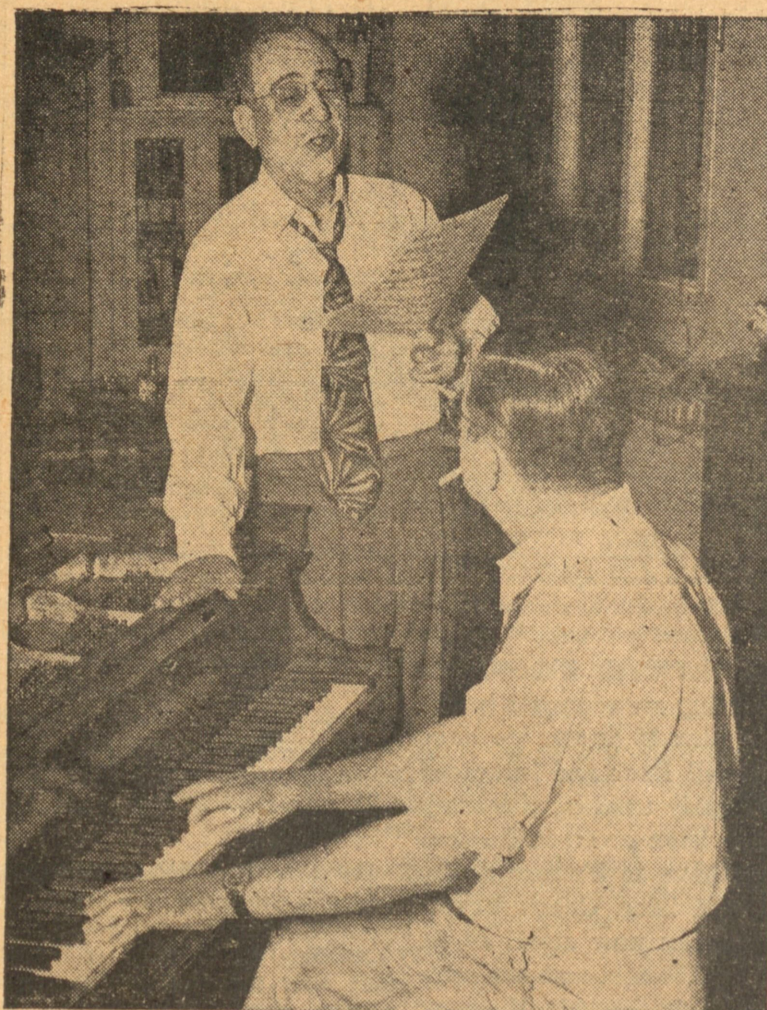
Thirty-five participants are enrolled, representing nineteen Alabama counties and three Georgia counties.

The Workshop proposes to develop: (1) Ways and means of making resource-use education a part of the general elementary and secondary education, (2) Better methods of teaching students to understand and appreciate the value of resources, (3) Teaching devices that develop the students' understanding of relationships between his environment and his community's institutions, (4) Ways to make resource-use projects more provocative, (5) Ways to motivate students to actively conserve and improve natural resources.

The three-month session will include a roster of interesting speakers, field trips, panel discussions, and individual projects.

of reality toward life, and the students seek the real treatment for most of the ills of our modern society—education.

Sing it purdy, Mocker!



Declaring that what Bing Crosby has done, so can he do, Mocker Bloch '08, is seen above practicing for his public debut in the musical world. Mocker, one of Selma's favorite sons, is responsible for bringing baseball to that city and has been one of the leading spirits behind it for many years.

Dr. Gene Callaway, who was his accompanist on the night of June 23, set aside by proclamation by the Mayor of Selma as "Mocker Bloch Night", is holding the pause for one of Mocker's high notes.

The two held secret sessions daily in preparation for the big occasion, but the title of the number they were to render at Rowell Field, June 23, was a top secret with them. Neither would divulge the theme nor give any hint of its identity.

Urged to name his song, Mocker Bloch, with a sly smile, declared "You'll be surprised," leaving his tormentors as much in the dark as ever.

Suffice it to say that the Mocker promised to sing publicly at Rowell Field, prior to the ball game, if 2,000 fans attended the game between the Selma Cloverleafs and the Montgomery Rebels.

SAE's Are Auburn Frat Sport Champs

Coach Bob Evans, intramural sports director here, announced this week that Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity has captured the Alabama Polytechnic Institute sports championship for 1946-47 with a record-breaking compilation of 851 points.

Each year a giant cup is permanently awarded to the Auburn fraternity gaining the highest number of points in intramural football, basketball, softball, volleyball, track, tennis, golf, swimming, horseshoe pitching, and ping pong.

Felix Baker, junior in business administration from Birmingham served as SAE sports manager, leading his organization to first-place victories in football, track, tennis, golf, and swimming and runner-ups in volleyball. It was their first championship trophy since 1937.

Also figuring prominently in the SAE's point manufacturing department was Fred Johnson of Rome, Georgia, along with Arthur Phillips and Don Waitzman, both of Birmingham. Johnson and Phillips excelled in football, softball, volleyball, basketball, and track. Waitzman tied Auburn's interfraternity track record on the low hurdles.

Jim Biggers and Jack Key of

History Department Offers New Course

A new and unusual course, **Great Leaders of World History**, was offered for the first time this summer quarter by the History Department at Auburn. Dr. Robert Partin, professor of history, who teaches the course, stated: "We plan to classify leaders as to their economic, spiritual, social, artistic, and military achievements and to attempt to analyze the time factors and personal characteristics that brought them to greatness." In order to do this, students will study biography, philosophy, and other works on leaders and leadership.

The class was planned for about 25 students, but already 65 are enrolled. About 60 percent of these are graduate students.

Columbus, Ga., respectively top-ranking member of Auburn's 1947 varsity tennis and golf teams, were instrumental in coaching the SAE to a championship in each of those sports.

Coach Evans also announced that the Phi Kappa Taus were successful in annexing the spring softball crown behind the speed-ball pitching of Zac Jenkins of West Point, Georgia.

GRAD NAMED HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The appointment of V. C. Helms, '29 as principal of the Lee County High School was announced by Mayor G. H. Wright, chairman of the school board, effective July 1. Mr. Helms is now director of education for Pepperell Manufacturing company and supervisor of the elementary and junior high schools there.

Born in Elba, Coffee county, Mr. Helms received his bachelor's degree in education from A.P.I. in 1929 and his master's in school administration in 1933. He was head of the science department of the State Secondary Agricultural School at Abbeville from 1929-33. He was later principal of the Abbeville City School. He then came to Pepperell, where he was working when he entered the Army.

Entering as a second lieutenant, Mr. Helms served six years in the Field Artillery, being discharged as a lieutenant colonel. After special duty in the field artillery, he was assigned to the field artillery observation battalion at Ft. Bragg, N. C. and later graduated from the Command School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. Following duty at Ft. Sill, Okla., he was re-assigned to special replacement training at Ft. Bragg. Then followed an assignment as executive officer of the South Carolina Military District at Columbia. He was awarded the Army Commendation Award and the Bronze Oak Leaf for meritorious service in connection with the training program.

Married to the former Georgetown DeLoach of Demopolis, Mr. Helms plans to make his home in Auburn. He is a member of the Opelika Rotary Club and the Baptist Church. Mrs. Helms is Methodist.

While in college, Mr. Helms was a member of the Glee Club, Spiked Shoe (with a letter in track), Auburn Players, and Kappa Delta Pi.

Ag Teachers Study Latest Equipment

Vocational agriculture teachers studying at API this summer are using latest model farm equipment in the special Farm Power and Machinery course being given by the Agricultural Engineering department.

Principles of selection, operation, and care of modern tractor equipment are being taught through use of the following machines: tractors, tractor plows, disk harrows, combination planters and fertilizer distributors, cultivators, mowing machines, side delivery rakes, corn pickers, combines, hay balers, and manure spreaders.

Most of this equipment came directly to the agricultural engineering department from the dealers as a special loan for the teachers' course. Dr. J. H. Neal, head of the department, states that many of the dealers held up sales to provide the latest equipment for the teachers to study.

Street Dances are being held every Friday night in Auburn. Dances are sponsored by the Student Social Life Committee, with music by The Auburn Plainmen.

Statistics show that Yale graduates have 1.3 children while Vassar graduates have 1.7 children. Which proves that women have more children than men.

—Ohio State Engineer



Samford Hall, nerve center of Auburn and probably the only college building which lives in the memory of even the oldest Auburn Alumnus. Today as yesterday, it symbolizes Auburn to all who hold her dear.